Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 17 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Sunday 18 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Friday 16 Oct 2020 at 11:28 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mainly cloudy conditions over the next couple of days and for a return to more changeable conditions early next week. However, there is much uncertainty in the detail from Monday.

Headline for Saturday 17 Oct 2020: Dull and drizzly but perhaps some afternoon brightness across the south.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 17 Oct 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG	MIST	MIST	
Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Mist	Mist	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	30%	30%	20%	30%	30%	40%

Forecast for Saturday 17 Oct 2020

Weather: Poor visibility expected to be the main feature through the day as cloud remains extensive and persistent across the hills, this bringing some drizzle at times too (sleet on highest ground). Cloud starting to lift off the hills through late afternoon and evening perhaps with a few breaks across the south.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Almost no chance across with cloud extensive above 400-600m.

Visibility: Widely limited to a kilometre or less above modest elevations and rather dull on lower slopes. Some improvement across the more sheltered south.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	9/13 NE	10/14 NE	13/19 NE	14/20 NE	12/18 N	13/19 N	13/19 N	13/18 N	11/16 N
900	8/12 NE	9/13 NE	10/15 NE	10/15 NE	9/15 N	11/17 N	10/15 N	9/13 N	9/13 NE
600	6/10 NE	5/10 NE	6/11 NE	7/12 NE	8/13 N	8/14 N	6/11 NE	5/9 NE	5/9 NE
300	4/8 NE	4/10 NE	4/10 N	6/12 NE	7/14 N	7/14 N	4/10 N	5/11 N	3/7 N
Glen	2/6 NE	2/7 N	2/8 N	4/10 N	5/12 N	4/11 N	3/9 N	3/9 N	2/6 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-0/-5	-1/-6	-1/-7	-1/-6	-0/-6	-1/-7	-2/-8	-2/-8	-2/-8
900	2/-2	1/-3	1/-3	2/-2	2/-2	2/-3	1/-3	1/-3	0/-4
600	4/2	4/1	3/1	4/1	4/2	4/1	3/1	3/1	3/1
300	6/5	5/4	5/4	6/4	6/4	6/4	5/4	5/3	4/3
Glen	5/5	5/4	4/4	5/4	6/5	7/5	6/5	5/4	4/3
Freezing Level*	2000m	1400m	1200m	1200m	1100m	1100m	1000m	1100m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Be aware of poor visibility and temperatures around freezing above munro level.

Forecast for Sunday 18 Oct 2020
Weather: A cold, cloudy but bright day with cloud generally only affecting the munros. A few showers will linger across the Cairngorms, but most parts will stay dry for much of the day. Thickening cloud will spread eastwards later in the evening to bring some spells of rain (sleet or wet snow above around 700m).

Maximum wind: Southerly 10-15mph increasing 20-25mph through evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70% for most of daylight hours with most cloud confined to munro level and above, falling 50% by evening as cloud descends more widely from the west to 600-800m.

Visibility: No issues through much of the day away from highest ground where there may be periods of fog.

Temperature: **Glens:** 3-5C rising 6-8C.
At 800m: Around freezing.
Freezing level: 1000m rising 1400m through evening.

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